



96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB0206

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 500/45-57 new

Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. Requires that a preference equal to 10% of the contract amount be granted to an otherwise qualified State contract bidder that is a qualified disabled veteran. Defines a qualified disabled veteran as a business entity 51% or more owned by one or more disabled veterans. Sets as a goal that each fiscal year the State award at least 3% of the value of its total contracts to qualified disabled veterans. Requires that the Department of Central Management Services report annually to the General Assembly on the attainment of the percentage goal, based on information reported by chief procurement officers. Requires chief procurement officers to make recommendations on the percentage goal, with input from statewide veterans' service organizations and the business community. Requires the Governor to recommend to the General Assembly changes in programs to assist qualified disabled veterans.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
5 adding Section 45-57 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 500/45-57 new)

7 Sec. 45-57. Disabled veterans.

8 (a) When a contract is awarded under this Code, a
9 preference of up to 10% of the amount of the contract shall be
10 given to a qualified disabled veteran. If the qualified
11 disabled veteran otherwise meets the requirements of the
12 contract solicitation and with the preference is the lowest
13 bidder, the contract shall be awarded to the qualified disabled
14 veteran. If 2 or more qualified disabled veterans are the
15 lowest bidders on a contract, all other things being equal, the
16 qualified disabled veteran with the lowest bid shall be awarded
17 the contract.

18 (b) It is the goal of the State to award each fiscal year
19 not less than 3% of its total expenditures for contracts
20 awarded under this Code to qualified disabled veterans. That
21 portion of a contract under which the contractor subcontracts
22 with a qualified disabled veteran may be counted toward the
23 goal of this subsection.

1 (c) By each September 1, each chief procurement officer
2 shall report to the Department of Central Management Services
3 on all of the following for the immediately preceding fiscal
4 year, and by each October 1 the Department of Central
5 Management Services shall compile and report that information
6 to the General Assembly:

7 (1) The number of qualified disabled veterans who
8 submitted a bid for a contract under this Code.

9 (2) The number of qualified disabled veterans who
10 entered into contracts with the State under this Code and
11 the total value of those contracts.

12 (3) Whether the State achieved the goal described in
13 subsection (b).

14 (4) The recommendations described in subsection (d).

15 (d) Each year, each chief procurement officer shall review
16 the progress of all State agencies under its jurisdiction in
17 meeting the goal described in subsection (b), with input from
18 statewide veterans' service organizations and from the
19 business community, including businesses owned by qualified
20 disabled veterans, and shall make recommendations to be
21 included in the Department of Central Management Services'
22 report to the General Assembly regarding continuation,
23 increases, or decreases of the percentage goal. The
24 recommendations shall be based upon the number of businesses
25 that are owned by qualified disabled veterans and on the
26 continued need to encourage and promote businesses owned by

1 qualified disabled veterans.

2 (e) To assist the State in reaching the goal described in
3 subsection (b), the Governor shall recommend to the General
4 Assembly changes in programs to assist businesses owned by
5 qualified disabled veterans.

6 (f) As used in this Section:

7 "Qualified disabled veteran" means a business entity that
8 is 51% or more owned by one or more veterans with a
9 service-connected disability.

10 "Service-connected disability" means a disability incurred
11 or aggravated in the line of duty in the active military,
12 naval, or air service as described in 38 USC 101(16).

13 "Veteran" means a person who served in the active military,
14 naval, or air service and who was discharged or released from
15 his or her service under conditions other than dishonorable.